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Source, Operational Data, and Comments:

Subject: []

Date: [] June 1954

Comments: Source and [] are friends of several years duration. The interview took place on 9 June at which time [] did not discuss the nature of the PEREZ Jimenez commitment. []

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FIELD INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY: []

REPORT NO: [] 717

SUBJECT: []

DATE OF INFO: 9 June 1954

PLACE ACQUIRED: []

DATE ACQUIRED: 11 June 1954

DATE OF REPORT: 17 June 1954

SOURCE, SOURCE EVALUATION, APPRAISAL OF CONTENT: A Guatemalan Refugee with close contacts in Central American circles. B-6.

1. [] and his brother [] are supporting the efforts of Lt. Col. Carlos CASTILLO Armas to overthrow the government of Guatemala. The [] have secured certain unspecified commitments of aid from [] for CASTILLO Armas.

2. In return for the [] assistance, CASTILLO Armas is committed to the overthrow of the present government of Costa Rica upon the successful ousting of the ARBENZ Government of Guatemala.

3. [] recently returned from a trip to [] where he had meetings with []. His trip to Tegucigalpa in May of 1954, was to transmit certain "instructions" to CASTILLO Armas with reference to the commitments of [].

4. The C-47 aircraft which was used to drop leaflets over Guatemala City and Quetzaltenango was acquired by CASTILLO Armas, through the efforts of [] from []. The airplane is presently kept at the [], where CASTILLO Armas also has a farm under the management of [].

5. [] firmly believes that CASTILLO Armas will successfully overthrow the ARBENZ government. In fact, upon that assumption, [] refused to accept a medical position offered him by Fulgencio BATISTA of Cuba.

Source Comment: [] health is poor. He suffers from a liver ailment and recently lost the sight of one eye. His physical condition does not permit him to occupy a post of stress and great responsibility.

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